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IN THE APPLICATION OF: )  
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Filed: November 13, 2003 ) Group Art Unit: 1635  
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FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE DISEASES AND )  
CONDITIONS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - a. Preliminary Amendment; and
  - b. Return Receipt Postcard.
2. With respect to additional fees:  
 No additional fee is required.
3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No.13-2490.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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Date: May 24, 2005

By:

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following  
amendments before examination on the merits.

**Amendments to the Specification** are on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** are on page 3 of this paper.